

## St Mark's School Newsletter

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#### Kia ora everyone

This week staff were given a tour of the new spaces in Waka Puhara. It was a joy for us all to see the progress including the installation of joinery, sinks, painting and early floor coverings. The classes will occupy this space from the first day of **Term 3 24th July.** Staff will be able to move in before this, however as the space houses our new Information Centre, Staff Resource Centre and Server, there will be significant time needed to move all resources and fit out the space ready for purpose.

I can confirm the date **11th August 2017** has been earmarked for the St Mark's School blessing and official opening celebrations. Please put this in your diary with more details to follow.

The photographs below are from one week ago. There has been significant progress even in this time but I felt the community might like to see the spaces.







This week we welcome **Alexandra Hanson** and her parents **Jared and Cathy**. Welcome to the St Mark's School family. We hope you find God's presence here and a turangawaewae for your extended whanau.

#### **Court Theatre**

Last year the students were treated to a live performance of "Matariki" from the Court Theatre "Touring Canterbury Schools Roadshow". This year the Court Theatre are offering another performance to our school. The show is entitled "Matatihi - Maia's journey of bravery" which is a bi-lingual story and is a "show to inspire young people to be bold, to be proud of what makes them different and carve their own path in the world". This dovetails beautifully with our theme of Aoraki Matatu and the performance will be on the Friday 9th June at 2pm. The cost is \$5.00 per child. If you do not want your child to attend this performance please let your classroom teacher know by Friday 26th May.

#### **Cross Country**

We wish all St Mark's School representatives at the Canterbury Independent Schools Cross Country on **Monday 22nd May** every best wish as they navigate the course in Hagley Park.

#### Ice Skating

This Sunday promises to be another great event run by the PA in our school. My apologies that a family event will prevent me from attending, but I encourage you to support this opportunity to strengthen our community bonds.

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### **School Notices**

#### **Upcoming Events**

21 May

4.30-6.30pm

22 May

Country

PA Ice Skating Night -

Independent Schools' Cross

31 May Singing Cup competition 12-23 June Year 0-3 Swimming -

Pioneer

#### **Church Certificates**

Kereru Zachary Ormandy

Ti Kouka Case Watson Kotuku Julia McCarthy Paua Theodore Yoder

ToeToe Olivia Cooper/Naomi

Johnston

Rimurimu Jeremy Hawke Toroa Zara Griffin Wheke Tyler Whitta

#### **Sports Results**

#### Waterpolo

St Mark's 9 v St Martins 1

Players of the Day: Lilly Okey/Sophia Goodrick

#### Netball

St Mark's Leopards 15 v St Margaret's 1

Player of the Day: Olivia Yule

### **PA News**

#### PA Ice Skating Night

This Sunday 21 May 4:30-6:30pm

Fun for the whole family! We've booked out the rink, so grab your friends and get your skates on!

If you pay before the day you can **skate for just \$10 per person.** 

Or you can pay on the night for \$12, cash only. Price includes skate hire, no charge for spectators.

<u>Cash</u> payments accepted at the school office (correct monies in a named envelope please) or you can direct credit your payment to:

Last Day for Internet payment is Thursday

St Mark's School PA 03-1598-0015833-00

Please ensure you put your surname and "ice-skating" as a reference.

#### **Entertainment Book**

On Tuesday your child was sent home with an Entertainment Book envelope, with an Entertainment Book and letter inside. If you would like to purchase this book, please follow the instructions in the attached letter. If you know someone who would like to purchase a book, we encourage them to buy a book through the school as for every Book/Digital App sold, the school will receive 20% back for their fundraising efforts.

Unfortunately, this year we are not able to process cheques for payment of Books and Digital Apps. For anyone who would not like to purchase their book brought home, or if you purchased a Digital Entertainment Book, please bring the book back with envelope and place this into the large white box at the school office.

Finally, we have a competition running in the school for the class who sells the most Books or Digital Apps. For the class which sells the most, they will win a pizza party shout for all students in that class!

This is a great fundraiser for the school and your support is very much appreciated.



## Kia Kaha Programme



Senior Constable Ross Mitchell will be at the school on the following dates for the Kia Kaha programme. Parents are most welcome to attend these sessions.

#### Thursday 18 May

09:00-09:45 Inaka (Year 0) 09:45-10:30 Kereru (Year 0-2) 11:05-12:00 Ti Kouka (Year 02)

13:30-15:00 Years 5-6 (Miss Yonetani)

#### Friday 19 May

13:30-14:15 Year 3 (Mrs Brereton) Year 4 (Mrs Brereton) 14:15-15:00

#### Friday 26 May

11:05-12:30 Years 7-8 (Miss Yonetani) 13:30-14:15 Year 3 (Mrs Brereton) 14:15-15:00 Year 4 (Mrs Brereton)

#### Monday 29 May

09:00-09:45 Inaka (Year 0) Kereru (Year 0-2) 09:45-10:30 11:05-12:00 Ti Kouka (Y0-2)

#### Thursday 1 June

13:30-14:30 Year 5-6 (Miss Yonetani)

#### Friday 2 June

11:05-12:30 Year 7-8 (Miss Yonetani)



Concert

Thursday May 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm McCombs Performing Arts Centre

Door sales only:

Adults \$10, Students \$5 & Family \$20



## St Mark's School Blogs

Please visit our blogs to see some of the teaching and learning happening in our St Mark's School family. There are also extra learning opportunities online for students.

We welcome your comments!

## Mōkihi

Aukaha kia kaha. Strengthen the bindings.



http://stmarksmokihi.blogspot.co.nz

# Waka Pūhara

Kia kotahi te hoe o te waka. Let's paddle in unison.



http://stmarkswakapuhara.blogspot.co.nz/

## Waka Hourua

He moana pukepuke ka ekengia e te waka.

A choppy sea can be navigated.



http://stmarkswakahourua.blogspot.co.nz/